

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, before the first paragraph, insert the heading --BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 2, before the third full paragraph, insert the heading --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 4, before the second full paragraph, insert the heading --BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--.

Page 4, before the sixth full paragraph, insert the heading --DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF ILLUSTRATIVE, NON-LIMITING EMBODIMENTS--.

Page 5, first full paragraph:

The carrying device 14 is therefore suited for circulating the preform ~~11~~ 12 inside the oven according to a specific path, along which the preform moves in front of heating means, such as infrared lamps.